

REMARKS

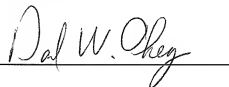
After cancellation of Claim 27, Claims 1-24, 26, and 29-31 are pending in the application. The Examiner is thanked for finding allowable subject matter in Claims 13-17. Claims 1, 26, 29 and 30 have been amended to incorporate the limitations of Claim 13 and to make these claims also allowable. Accordingly, Claims 1-24, 26, and 29-31 are allowable.

Applicants respectfully request entry of the present Amendment and reconsideration of the application. Should the Examiner believe that the prosecution of the application could be expedited, the Examiner is requested to call Applicant's undersigned representative at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted:

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